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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 205
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A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. Robert L. Sharp on receiving the
Rotary Club Citizen of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, the Campbell County Rotary Club has decided to bestow their prestigious
Rotary Club Citizen of the Year Award upon one of the most highly respected, devoted and
giving men in the county: Mr. Robert L. Sharp, whose character and generous nature are
unparalleled; and

WHEREAS, it is not often that a community is blessed with a truly dedicated public
servant such as Mr. Robert L. Sharp, who as a committed citizen, has touched and shaped
countless lives through his meritorious public service; and

WHEREAS, a native Tennessean, Mr. Sharp is the son of Isham and Nola Meadows
Sharp. With the exception of only a few years away from home during military service, Mr.
Sharp has resided in Campbell County his entire life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp valiantly served in the Merchant Marines during World War II;
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WHEREAS, this farmer and real estate developer has always served his community with
his own special style and grace, earning the admiration of fellow townspeople and becoming
one of the best loved citizens in the whole county; and

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WHEREAS, a concerned person whose willingness to help those in need knows no bounds, Mr. Sharp is highly regarded as a friend and as a member of the Campbell County Kerbela Temple Order of Shriners; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp has been actively involved in his community his entire life, and has participated in various organizations, including astutely serving two terms as a Campbell County Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, he has distinguished himself by means of his meritorious service as a member of the Soil Conservation Committee, Chairman of the Gordon Keys Scholarship Fund and Trustee at the Douglas Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp continues to unselfishly devote himself to the public good through his astute service on numerous boards, including the Board of Directors of the Campbell County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp has proven himself to be a diligent upholder of the great volunteer tradition of the State of Tennessee by dedicating many years of his life to the development and enhancement of the community he loves; and

WHEREAS, this devoted family man is blessed by the love he shares with his wife of 48 years, Ruth Meredith Sharp; their children, each of whom has made his or her mark on the world and is highly successful in his or her own right; the Sharp's family includes: children, Jane Morrow, Jerry Sharp and Cathy Walden; grandchildren, Christy and Kevin Morrow, Robert Bradley Sharp and Josh Sharp, and Chris and Jake Walden; and great-granddaughter, Kayla McFarland; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sharp has dedicated his life to serving others in both his professional and private life, and he has had an extraordinary influence on his community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we commend Mr. Robert L. Sharp on being presented the Rotary Club

Citizen of the Year Award and recognize the wonderful service this exemplary citizen and public servant has faithfully given to Campbell County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to him our best wishes for continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Sharp with this final clause omitted from such copy.